



SPERLING CENTER  
FOR RESEARCH  
AND INNOVATION

# Meeting the Moment

Our current environment challenges youth organizations and schools to reimagine their value and impact from how they engage and serve communities to their readiness to seize the opportunities of this moment.

SCRI partners with leaders to build their capacity to change and adapt. We work side-by-side to understand your mission and vision and identify the unique opportunities you have to increase your impact. We help you assess your internal structures and capacity and prioritize areas for investment and growth.

We are passionate about meeting our partners where they are and in their areas of greatest need. While every engagement looks different, below is an overview of the key areas we examine to support you in your journey.



## Turning Evidence into Action™

Everything we do at SCRI is in partnership with others. Our team is skilled at bringing nearly 30 years of practitioner expertise in summer and afterschool programs to each engagement to transfer knowledge and build capacity in ways that help youth organizations and schools innovate and deepen their impact.

Our work starts with your need—then we open our toolbox and align our offerings to support you. From broad organizational work to focused priorities, we can serve your organization in a variety of ways, including strategic coaching to reimagine or strengthen key aspects of your services, developing actionable methods and tools, and measuring the quality and impact of your offerings.



Learn more about SCRI's Capacity Building Services and request a free consultation about how SCRI can help. [www.sperlingcenter.org](http://www.sperlingcenter.org)

“Summer learning programs were able to use the findings from the quality improvement report to gain insight into the program’s key strengths and areas for improvement. It provided a rare moment for program staff to intentionally reflect on their work; a moment I wish was commonplace for every program.” - Justina Acevedo-Cross, Hawaii Community Foundation

## Reimagining Your Organization



Recent shifts in our world have caused all youth-serving organizations and schools to pivot and adapt. Our collective ability to evolve in this new environment will be essential to ensuring youth continue to thrive. SCRI brings nearly 30 years of practitioner innovation in summer and afterschool programming to every engagement. We balance examining your unique needs and value with providing our proven methods, tools, and systems to accelerate your ability to adapt and anticipate changing conditions.

Examining the relationship between how you support quality, develop staff, and evaluate implementation and outcomes is critical to ensuring the highest-quality experiences for young people. SCRI works with clients to build capacity and strengthen systemic efforts – all in service of a broader strategy to ensure youth are thriving, no matter where they are.

### Community Strategy

**Sector landscape analysis** to understand program offerings, needs, strengths and gaps in service.

**Comprehensive plan** to expand and deepen impact and increase equity from a mix of interviews, surveys, and established research.

**Recommendations** for your professional development, quality assessment, and evaluation.

**Laser focus and guidance** on continuous improvement.

### Quality Indicators

**In-person and remote quality assessment** across six research-based domains to improve experience and outcomes.

**Unique quality indicators** developed to directly align to your desired goals and outcomes.

**Tools and processes** to enhance your capacity to analyze and adapt your unique high-quality learning experience.

**Easy-to-use dashboards** to drive continuous improvement.

### Evaluation Frameworks

**Measurement frameworks** proven for afterschool and summer in communities nationwide for nearly 30 years.

**In-person and remote evaluation tools and strategies** to assess implementation and outcomes.

**Youth learning assessments** customized for your unique offerings.

**Evaluation capacity** to analyze your results and provide meaningful insights via impactful reports and dashboards.

### Professional Development

**Tools and resources** that you can use immediately to support your professional development strategy and impact goals.

**Transformative experiences** delivered flexibly— in-person and remotely— through professional learning communities or coaching.

**Customized content, tools, guidelines** using tried and true delivery methods to expand staff skills and capacity.

**Suite of asynchronous learning options** to provide flexibility without sacrificing impact or efficacy.